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A. N. JENKS '18 ON FURLOUGH FROM FRANCE

Enlisted With McGill Hospital
Under Col. Birkett.

SEEN 31 MONTHS' SERVICE.

Received Commission in Infantry,
and is Now Connected With
Royal Flying Corps.

Lieut. A. N. Jenks, Med. '18, a former Associate Editor of the McGill Daily staff under the Editorship of Allen Oliver, was a visitor at the Union last night. Lieut. Jenks went overseas with the McGill Hospital under Col. Birkett. After spending a year with the McGill Hospital in France, he joined the Infantry, securing a commission with the rank of Lieutenant. For a month he was with the 20th Reserve (formerly the 148th Battalion, under Col. Magee). While with this branch of the service, Lieut. Jenks met many McGill men, among whom were Jack Frothingham, Sci. '16; John Kerry, Arts '11; Flinny Fletcher, Arts '11, and "Punch" Parkins. Leaving the Infantry last March, Lieut. Jenks joined the R.F.C., and soon qualified for a commission as a Lieutenant in this branch of the service.

He met "Dad" Lamb in London shortly after he had fallen from a bicycle and broken a finger. He was also with George Trapp, Sci. '17, R. N. A. S., who was killed about ten days after Lieut. Jenks left him. He also ran across Keith Ewart, and Francis Rounthwaite, the latter of whom is in command of an Imperial battery, recently gone to France.

While in London, Lieut. Jenks also saw Dr. Adams, and just before leaving France he visited Col. Birkett.

Lieut. Jenks was five months on active service with the Royal Flying Corps. His squadron took part in the battles from Messines to Passchendaele. In speaking of the grades of airplanes, the returned officer stated that machines were of three sorts, namely: scouts, fighters, and bombers. He was with the fighters, which are two-seated machines, each carrying a pilot and an observer. The air service was kept tremendously busy during last summer, and indications are in favour of an even greater aerial activity next summer. This branch of the service is rapidly gaining in importance. Lieut. Jenks is at present home on furlough, and expects to be attached to the aerial service in Canada for some months.

Speaking of McGill men "over there," he referred to Flight-Lieut. Curtis Derochie, Med. '18, who was shot down over the German lines. In this case the Germans sent over an account of Lieut. Derochie's death. This spirit of fraternalism, according to Lieut. Jenks, exists between the German and Allied airmen to a surprising degree. They drop messages for each other.

Lieut. Jenks experienced two air raids while in London, but though the damage was considerable, and he was not far distant from the scene of destruction, he was not awakened.

Describing aerial manoeuvring, Lieut. Jenks said that the first indication of an approaching engagement was the appearance of a few specks in the sky, scarcely discernable to the untrained eye, but easily distinguished by the experienced as German planes. Presently these machines dive from their terrific height upon those planes below them. This diving manoeuvre is a favourite one with the Teuton airmen. The move for the Allied plane to make is or course to get into a position favourable to avoiding the attack of the enemy. An aerial engagement does not last long. It is sharp and fast. One or other of the participants must soon either be put out or get out. They come together quickly and then separate. The observer does most of the fighting, and photographing, while the pilot manages the machine. Contrary to the popular idea the scouting plane is essentially the fighting machine. Lieut. Jenks was in the same aerodrome with Capt. Jack Rutherford, Science '17, and was in the same squadron as was Major Bishop, V.C., who, however, had left the front prior to Lieut. Jenks' arrival there. He also saw Capt. "Jim" McCall, R.F.C., who, with Capt. Jack Rutherford, is on furlough.

With reference to the Universities in England, Lieut. Jenks stated that they are academically cleaned out. At present they serve as training schools and so forth. Oxford is principally a Royal Flying Corps headquarters. The R.F.C. requires young men, the younger the better, that is, providing they are at least eighteen years of age. Those between the ages of 19 and 24 prove most efficient. Aerial warfare is a tremendous strain both upon men and machines, and of course the wastage is rapid and incessant.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF RINK IS TO-NIGHT

Skating Will be Followed by Refreshments and Dance in Union.

The official opening of the Campus Rink will take place this evening, and will be in the form of a Skating Party and Dance. The success of the evening depends entirely on the co-operation of the undergraduate body in attending the event. To date the sale of tickets has not been large, but from the number of students who have voiced their intention of attending the Committee in Charge are not worrying a great deal on this score. The arrangements for the running of the affair are now all complete. Tom Graydon has promised to have a good sheet of ice, if the weather man will behave. The floor of the Union ball-room is being put in shape, and when the finishing touches are put on this afternoon, will be in as good condition as in pre-war days. As Miss Cleary is to be at the piano, the best and latest music is assured.

The arrangements call for meeting at the Union at 8 p.m., where programmes will be distributed and filled. Skating will start at 8.30 sharp. "Tony" will be in attendance at the Rink with his justly celebrated organ, and will furnish the music for eight "bands." After returning to the Union refreshments will be served in the Lounge Room. The Dance will then hold sway in the Ball room until the close of the evening. The Dining Room on the right of the main entrance is to be utilized as the Ladies' Dressing Room, while the gentlemen will use the Grill Room as a cloak room. Miss Hurlbutt, Miss Cartwright, Mrs. Birkett and Mrs. Lamb have kindly consented to act as Patronesses, and will receive the guests in the Entrance Hall.

A number of tickets still remain on hand, and may be obtained at the Union all day.

1919 ANNUAL DRAWING COMPETITION

In regard to the Annual Drawing Competition, notice of which appeared in the Daily prior to the Christmas holidays, it may be stated that it is extremely necessary that drawings be submitted as early as possible, in order that the work of compiling the Annual may proceed.

It is in the interest of every McGill student to put out as good an Annual as possible, and there are a number of students in this University who are gifted with excellent artistic ability. We request these students, in all faculties, to kindly lend some of their talent to the McGill Annual, and sketch some of the drawings required.

Prizes of complimentary copies of the Annual will be given to a number of the highest competitors, as judged by the Annual Board.

These designs, in order to be of use, must be eight (8) inches long, and six (6) inches high; or if larger, (must not be smaller), they must be of the same proportions to be suitable for reduction.

They should be drawn in ink, if possible, although in exceptional cases, sketches in wash or pencil may be used.

All drawings should be handed to the Art Editor of the Annual as soon as possible either personally, or through some member of the Annual Board; or they may be left at the Daily Office in the Union.

Information regarding the nature of the drawings desired may be obtained from the Art Editor, F. L. Code, 3rd Year Electrical, or by phone at Uptown 4486.

1919 ANNUAL READY FOR BIOGRAPHIES

Forms Will be Issued for Immediate Filling In.

JUNIORS, ATTENTION!

Each Junior Will Ask a Friend to Fill in His Biographical Sheet.

How about your Biography for the Annual? Biography forms will be distributed to-day to the Juniors by members of the Annual Board.

Students of Third Year Science or Arts, Second Year Law, or Fourth Year Medicine, see that you get your Biography Form.

If you have a friend who appreciates your true worth, ask him to write your biography. Biographies must be bright and make good reading. A biography should be a terse pen picture of a man as you know him, not a stereotyped rehearsal of his activities at college.

The nineteen Annual has set out to be original, and depends in large measure upon the biographies to carry out this ambition. Books of quotations have been placed on the desk in the reading room of the Redpath Library, so that ready access to them may be had.

Here are a few biographies which may help to give you the idea of what is expected.

A. W. Jones:
"The Gods will think twice before a gentleman of his quality." He is neither a seer nor a saint. It is not the human intellect that interests him, but the human heart and the great comedy of life.

Dora G. White:
"Her loveliness I never knew Until she smiled on me." Habitat—Scotland (Ontario). Haunts—Chemistry Building, R.V.C. Occupation—Pursuit of the elusive electron.

Virtues—Optimism, originality, indefatigability, loquacity. Vices—Absent-mindedness, promptness. Hobbies—Cats, Spectographs.

James J. Smith:
"Then farewell, Horace, whom I hated so."

Age 22. Birthplace, St. Terome. Claims to study medicine, but indulges in Kubelik and futurism, Bernard Shaw and Russian dancing. His favourite muse, Terplishore—poet, Helne—novelist, George Moore—philosopher, Spinoza—musician, Beethoven—exercise, the piano—recreation, golf—aversion, mouth organs—and beverage, claret lemonade. Member of the Cercle Francals.

Biographies must be in the hands of the Annual Board by the 18th of January.

NEWS OF MCGILL MEN.

"Buck" Kelly, Law '19, and E. Legault, Sci. '18, left on Monday night for Toronto to join the R. F. C.

George Hodgson, R.N.A.S., is on his way home.

H. A. Bennet, Sci. '18, is now enjoying the thrills of flight in Texas, according to a letter received here the other day.

Ski Scott leaves to-night for Halifax, en route to England, to train for the R. N. A. S.

ARTS ELECTION RESULTS.

The election of secretary for the Arts Undergraduate Society took place yesterday. The candidates were Rountree and Levitt, both of first year Arts. From the voting it was evident that both men were popular candidates, although Rountree polled the greater number of votes.

The results are as follows:
Rountree 62
Levitt 45

DENTAL SOCIETY.

The Executive of the McGill Dental Society will have their photograph taken for the Annual at 1 p.m., on Thursday, Jan. 10th, at Gordon's Studio.

MEATLESS DAYS IN LONDON.

LONDON.—So meagre is the supply of meat in London that the first meatless day is expected at the end of this week. Retail merchants crowded the market yesterday in an attempt to get a supply, but were unsuccessful. The government has provided 3,000 carcasses of lambs, but the supply is reserved for the poor districts. The west-end customers are advised to eat fowl.



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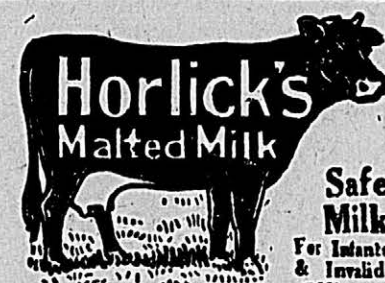
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MONTREAL, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1918.

CAMPUS RINK OPENING.

The official opening of the Campus Rink will take place this evening, in the form of a skating party and dance, to be held under the auspices of the Students' Council. In view of the very limited number of social activities now in existence at McGill, the Campus Rink will this winter undoubtedly be an extremely popular institution. This fact has been realized by the Students' Council, and although the Rink has in past years proved to be anything but a financial success, it has been maintained, often in the face of opposition, that this, practically the only existing promoter of social intercourse, should be preserved even at some financial loss. And therefore, while all other activities went by the board, the Campus Rink has remained.

The weekly Y. M. C. A. Skating Parties, which during the past few years have played an important part in the social life at McGill, and the efforts of the Y. M. C. A. in this respect, have been greatly appreciated. We understand that Strathcona Hall will this year, as of old, be the scene of these highly enjoyable events, and we have no hesitancy in predicting that they will be appreciated to a greater extent than ever before.

The Students' Council has, in realizing the place which the Campus Rink should, under the circumstances play in the social life at McGill, resolved to do as much as possible to assist in making the rink an unqualified success this year; and with this end in view the Council has undertaken to hold a series of Skating Parties and Dances. No stone is being left unturned in making the event of this evening, the first of the series, an unqualified success.

The truly deciding factor in estimating the appreciation with which the efforts of those in charge have been received will be, of course, the number of those who avail themselves of the opportunity of being present. In other words, the success of the evening now depends upon the student body. This, truly, is an opportunity which should meet with a hearty acceptance.

UNIVERSITY AND NATION.

Because of the war, the colleges have pretty well come into their own in this country. The value of a college education, but particularly the fact of the general high quality of college men, has been recognized by the military authorities, and graduates and undergraduates have been accorded special privileges. Even so, however, the colleges do not fill the same place in the life of the nation that they fill in other countries. Take the case of England. The graduates of Oxford and Cambridge practically run the nation, and a man who has won distinction in either of these great Universities, particularly in the field of debating, is almost certain to be taken up by one of the political parties, a splendid opportunity being given him of becoming a great leader. There is a link between the college and the government, and while this particular situation is perhaps peculiar to England, colleges and universities are held usually in greater esteem in the countries of Europe than in this country.

What are the reasons for this condition? It may be that the college men are older in the European countries and get more from their university training. But a large part of the fault lies in the American colleges and universities themselves, and in the students—perhaps the trouble is fundamental in the American people.

The average undergraduate is not serious enough about his work. He does not get as much from his course as he ought, and more particularly he does not receive the general education, and broadening of character that will force recognition of the colleges. He makes headway in after life, frequently, more in spite of his college education than because of it. And why? One reason is that a large percentage of men come here to loaf. This makes the time spent in college useless for them, and detrimentally influences others. It means that no spirit or atmosphere of work can be created in the college. Princeton is renowned for her campus life, but there are many that outrank us scholastically, and even if we were at the head of the list, we would not necessarily be so good.

What is the remedy? Some believe that technical and industrial education offers the greatest hope for the future; others think that a return to the study of the Classics is the best remedy. These proposals, however, refer only to the matter of what is taught; and we believe the trouble lies deeper. What is necessary is an awakening of the student consciousness to the value of that which is to be gained in college, and a universal determination on the part of the student body to take advantage of the opportunities offered, and to tolerate no one who refuses, so to take advantage of the college life. The atmosphere in college and university must change if the American colleges and universities are to take a commanding place in the national life, because they will not be entitled to such a place unless the results of the college education warrant it.

The war means opportunity. A great deal of the prejudice against the college man has disappeared, and the colleges now en-

R. V. C. NOTES.

The meeting of the Societe Francaise, which was to have been held to-day, at one o'clock, has been postponed until to-morrow, at that hour. The business is to elect a secretary to succeed Miss Sara Steeves.

A meeting of the Menorah Society was held yesterday at 4.15 p.m., in Room 2 of the R. V. C. Miss Sallie Solomon gave a report of the Menorah Quinquennial Convention, which was held in Columbia University during the holidays. Fifty-eight universities and colleges in the United States and Canada were represented. The convention established a Board of Governors, to which prominent Jewish leaders were elected. It also sent formal thanks to the British Government for its declaration in favour of the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine.

After Miss Solomon's report a paper was read by Miss Sarah Talpis, B.A., on "Canadian Jewish Problems." Miss Talpis pointed out that most Jewish problems in Canada could be solved by the federation of the societies and institutions which already exist to meet the needs of the Jewish community. She showed the advantage of a Federation of Hebrew Schools for Jewish Education, and the need of a Union of Synagogues, social centres for Jewish young men and women, and a Welfare Society for Jewish soldiers.

EXCERPT FROM A STUDENT'S DIARY.

Thursday, Jan. 3rd.—This morning, in my hurry and enthusiasm to get back to work again—for really and truly I suffered from several severe attacks of nostalgia during the holidays—I managed somehow or other to arrive at my 9 o'clock a few minutes ahead of time, where to my great joy and surprise, I met my friend with the Corsica Intellect. Fortunately the professor with whom we were expecting to pass a pleasant hour did not put in an appearance, so my friend with the C. I. and I had quite a lengthy conversation. As far as I could gather from his remarks, he had spent most of his twelve days of rest collecting all the witty remarks, puns, and other similar perpetrations which had been in circulation in his home town for several centuries. As soon as he had given me a friendly whack on the back (by the way it is sore yet), and wished me a Happy New Year, he fired the first one at me.

"Why have poultry no future state of existence?" As I had not yet sufficiently recovered my shattered equilibrium to be able to cogitate upon this weighty question in a satisfactory manner, I merely gazed at him with a stupid expression, until he realized this was beyond me, and then he said, "Simply because they have their necks twisted (next world) in this." Close upon this horror followed another, even worse, if such a thing be possible. "How does it happen there are always sandwiches in the desert?"

"Made of the sandwichis there," I murmured.
"That is the old answer," said he pleasantly scornful. "List to the new—Because it is the land of Ham, and his descendants mustered and bred there (mustard and bread)."
How anyone could ever think of such things I don't know, but here is another.

"For what reason may a postage stamp be said to be an unfortunate thing? Though it sticks to its duty to the very letter, it always gets its head punched, its face disfigured, and a good licking." Similarly, "What is the difference between a lady and a postage stamp? One is a female, and the other is a mail fee." In conclusion, "What is the most indigestible supper? Bolt the street-door last thing at night."

If ever I find symptoms of this alienation, disease or aberration of the mind showing themselves in this, my diary, may I never hold a pen again! It would be too awful to have on earth at the same time two people like my friend with the C. I.

THE LATEST OF WAR DELICACIES.

Whale steak seems due to become an important item of our war diet. Boosting the whale's usefulness as a food, Prof. Henry B. Ward, of the department of zoology, will give a number of illustrated lectures on the new sea foods at the nation's largest food show to be held in Chicago soon. The bureau of fisheries will prove by practical demonstration that whale meat is as wholesome and appetizing as white fish. The new uses of mussel, carp, bowfin, sable fish, and grayfish will be demonstrated by tasting samples.

WOMEN TAKING PART.

Brantford women are taking an unusually active part in the municipal election and at a largely attended meeting, a programme, including the following, was adopted unanimously: To ask legislation compelling bakers to make whole wheat bread; to see that married women are on the voters' list next year; to agitate for a supply of pure gas; to inquire into the movement for a weekly half-holiday for clerks; and to appoint women to attend and read the reports of the City Council proceedings, also Parliamentary proceedings, so that women may be kept informed of what affects their welfare.

joy a period of favor in the public mind. It remains for them to consolidate their position; to bind university and nation inseparably together for all future time.—Daily Princetonian.

STIFF PRACTICE WAS HELD BY GLEE CLUB

Carnegie Attack "My Old Kentucky Home" and "A Dream."

The Glee Club had the stiffest practice of its short, but harmonious career last night. The attendance, though poor, made up for its numerical inferiority by the superior quality of its voices.

The first attempt was an attack on "My Old Kentucky Home." This piece had been practised at the previous rehearsal some time ago, and the singers showed that they had not forgotten this fact, nor the piece.

After several repetitions, this piece was laid aside, and "A Dream," by Bartlett, was taken up. Each group of voices was led through its particular part at first, and then the entire piece was attempted in full harmony. It was surprising how well the piece was rendered with such scanty practice.

Several repetitions were necessary, of course, in order to smooth over the rough places. Then the third and final piece was tried. It proved to be the hardest of the three. Just for an experiment, it was sung in harmony at sight. The boys simply ate it up, with the accompaniment on the piano, and showed that they will soon be able to render any male chorus acceptably with but little practice.

Owing to the examinations being held next week, the next practice will be held two weeks from last night.

JEST TALK

—By Jello

HITS HOME.

Cholly: There's always something to laugh about when I tell a joke.
She: Yes, and you're always so nice about it. You never get mad.

SHE'LL LEARN TO LOVE HIM IN TIME.

When you see a dashing Junior Blushing scarlet in the face.
Every time he pulls his watch out.
There's a woman in the case.

MOST EXTRAORDINARY!

Prof. (apologetically to English class): "I am going to finish a little early. You see, there is a faculty luncheon to-day, and if we ain't on time, we don't get nothing to eat."

OUCH!

He: I think there's something dove-like about you.
She: Not really?
He: Sure, you're pigeon-toed.

SAYINGS OF SOLOMON.

Always face the music! Even if it is your landlady's daughter playing "The Maiden's Prayer" on a square piano. Some day you might be back on your board bill.

Not a wrinkle, little star,
To give away how old you are.
'Tis well that folks can't guess your age,
Or what you look like off the stage.

IN THE MILL AGAIN.

History Prof.: Didn't I tell you to be prepared with your history lesson? And here you are, unable to repeat a word of it.
Kittie: I didn't think it was necessary, sir. I've heard that history repeats itself.

DECEPTIVE APPEARANCES.

Ted: Those pretty waitresses look awfully fetching.
Ned: After you've been here a while you'll find they fetch nothing.

A OWLING SHAME.

An old owl sat on the bough of an oak,
The more he heard the less he spoke.
The less he spoke the more he heard;
Why aren't we all more like this bird?

APROPOS.

He: What music are you going to have at the dance to-night?
Other He: The Fraternity hat band.

STUDENTS OF BROWN TO RECEIVE PRIVILEGES.

President Faunce has received an official communication from Washington stating that the War Department has made modifications in the selective service regulations which will, under certain conditions, permit engineering students subject to draft to remain at college and complete their engineering course. To do this the student is to enlist in the Engineer Reserve Corps. The enlistment will bring him into the military service, and exempt him for the time being from the action of the draft. He will be placed on what is known as the inactive list, and will be allowed to complete his college course. Applications for enlistment in the Engineering Reserve Corps must be in the student's own handwriting, accompanied by a certificate from the Faculty that the student has high rank in his classes.

WHAT'S ON.

TO-DAY.

1.00 p.m.—Arts '19 meeting in the smoking room of Arts Building.
1.00 p.m.—Meeting of Societe Francaise in R. V. C.
1.00 p.m.—Arts '18 Picture at Gordon's.
8.00 p.m.—Opening of Campus Rink.
8.15 p.m.—Meeting of Alliance Francaise in Ritz-Carlton.

COMING.

Jan. 10—Meeting of Executive of Dental Society at 1 p.m.
Jan. 11—Students' Council Meeting.
Jan. 11—Medical Society Meeting, 8.15 p.m.
Jan. 14—McGill-Laval, hockey, at the Victoria Rink.

PRESIDENT OF WISCONSIN REPLIES TO CHARGES.

President Charles R. Van Hise, of the University of Wisconsin, has made public a letter he sent to President Wilson, replying to the charge made by Assistant Secretary Carl S. Vrooman, of the Department of Agriculture that the University had not assumed patriotic leadership in the war. President Van Hise characterizes Mr. Vrooman's statements as "extremely objectionable," and claims that the University has been "so seriously misrepresented" that he felt the matter should be brought to the attention of President Wilson personally. In his letter President Van Hise says:

"When war was declared, April 6, 1917, there was not an instant's hesitation in the decision of the faculty that the University should participate in assisting to carry the war to a successful conclusion. Indeed, on April 2, the faculty unanimously passed a resolution authorizing the president of the University and the military administrative committee created at that time, to inaugurate at once a course in intensive military instruction for the training of officers. Another resolution requested the regents to give leave of absence, without prejudice to rank or seniority, to members of the faculty entering the public service for national defense."

"The total number of students who during the summer were at work in all ways in connection with the war was at least 2,450."

"At the opening of the semester 35 men who were members of the University faculty last year had commissions in the army or navy, and 17 additional were attending officers' training camps or have been drafted in the national army. The number of the faculty other than those having commissions who before the opening of the autumn semester were giving all or a large part of their time since the outbreak of the war to war work was 94; and many more participated in various directions to a less extent."

"The present semester the war committee of the faculty, temporarily appointed last year, was made permanent for the duration of the war. The faculty and students subscribed to the second Liberty Loan about \$200,000. The Red Cross allotment to the University was fully met. The allotment of \$20,000 for the Y. M. C. A. campaign was oversubscribed."

"The military department this year is continuing vigorously to train young men to enter the army or navy. Additional members of the faculty have been given leave of absence to take up war work; and many others are giving a part of their time to such work."

"Since Mr. Vrooman's statement seems to be especially directed toward the officers of the University, I may say that I gave my entire summer, with the exception of three weeks, to the work of the Food Administration, and since the end of the vacation have continued to devote as much time as possible to that service."

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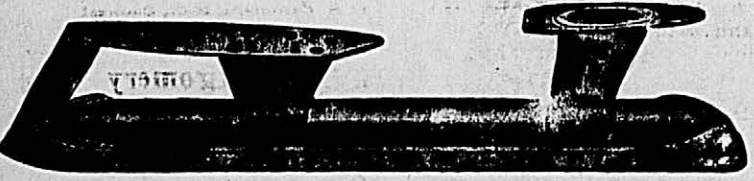
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A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

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Fourteen third year Meds. take honours in Physiological Chemistry finals.

News is received that the 148th Battalion, affiliated with the McGill C. O. T. C., has been broken up.

The annual auction sale of lost and unclaimed articles was held last evening, in the secretary's office at the R. V. C., at 7.30. Miss Lichtenstein acted as auctioneer, and Miss Cameron as cashier. The money received went in the Belgian Relief box. (Three cents was bid for a box of rouge.)

Arrangements have been made at Notman's for the taking of Arts '17 pictures.

WOMAN AND A COLLEGE DEGREE.

(Concluded from Yesterday's Issue.)

"I knew, of course, that I did not really belong here—not being a college graduate," admitted the newcomer, her enthusiasm beginning once more to ebb away. "But I thought that, perhaps, you might be able to advise me."

There followed interviews with all sorts of people: writers, librarians, philanthropists, magazine and newspaper men, and the newcomer was fortunate enough—so she thought at the time—to have letters of introduction to a number of well-known persons. But it was of no use; one and all said that they must employ a college graduate.

For a year or so this young woman gave up the struggle, deciding that probably they were correct about her not being fit to do any work in the business world; she set herself to study more and was even considering entering college as a freshman when, all at once, a position—a good position—was offered her. Just as she had given up wanting it—or thought she had—there came to her the opportunity to do a useful work and to prove that she could be economically independent. She has now a foothold in the world of business, her lack of college degree notwithstanding, and, while she is duly grateful, she yet asks herself occasionally why it should be that so many obstacles are put in the way of girls who have not been through college.

"The other day," said this young woman, "my young college sister came home from a visit to a college friend of hers. It seems that this friend had wanted to ask what I was doing, and my sister explained. 'What is her college?' inquired my sister's friend, and when she had heard the shocking truth, she exclaimed, 'But you ought to have that position, not she, for you're a college graduate.'"

Now the young woman of the story does not intend to belittle the ordinary college education and what it does for the majority of girls who experience it. In fact, this young woman feels much regret that she did not have this experience herself. Yet, she is sure that a capable person may still do much without having either a B. A. or an M. A. attached to her name. All she asks is that the non-college graduate shall be given a fair chance to prove what she can do.—Christian Science Monitor.

FRUIT PICKING.

In an eloquent diatribe against the practical value of mathematics, someone remarked to me the other day that it would in no way help one in a great crisis to reflect that the angles at the base of an isosceles triangle are equal. It may not. When one sways violently at the top of a long ladder, which rests against one of the least strong-looking boughs of an apple-tree, or when the support breaks, and the ladder falls rapidly forward, one may—given a sufficient grounding in the despised subject—arrange one's weight on the ladder in a way less likely to lead to a catastrophe; or even, if one's worst fears seem about to be realized, calculate the velocity with which one will approach the ground.

But it was with no intention of demonstrating the value of mathematics that I went fruit-picking in August. I was invited to join a party of old Cheltonians on a fruit farm in Gloucestershire, to save the early apples and plums from being wasted, and in that fortnight we certainly rescued thousands of pounds of fruit, and so we like to think—helped the nation's food supply.

The habit of waking at 5.15 a.m. was not easy to acquire, but I don't think there was any morning on which one of the party did not succeed in waking in time to rouse everybody else at such an hour that enabled all to be at the barn by six o'clock ready to pack the fruit to go to market. We usually packed for two hours before breakfast—back-breaking work, until one had learnt the art of balancing the sieves while sitting on large hampers.

From 9 till 1, 2.30 till 4.30, and 5 till 7, we worked in one of the orchards, either picking or plucking up. The fruit is picked into large baskets, which can be suspended from the rungs of the ladders by crooks attached to the handles; these are emptied into 27 lb. sieves, which are stacked under the trees and fetched away in a cart about twice during the day, to the barn, where they are piled in such a way that the fruit may be thoroughly dried by the draught before it is packed. Given a really well-laden tree, one could spend quite two hours on the ladder without having it moved at all; some-

PROF. LEACOCK SPOKE BEFORE R.V.C. SOCIETY

Lecture Last Night Under Auspices of Alumnae Society.

"FRENZIED FICTION."

Prof. Leacock Gave a Very Entertaining Talk on the Books of To-day.

Last evening a very large and enthusiastic audience listened to one of Prof. Leacock's entertaining lectures. The address was on "Frenzied Fiction—A Talk on the Books of To-day," and was given under the auspices of the R. V. C. Alumnae Society.

The President, Mrs. Arthur W. Fry, opened the meeting by speaking of the purpose of this series of lectures, of which Prof. Leacock's is the first. These lectures, four in number, are to be given on every alternate Tuesday, and the proceeds will be used to buy books and magazines for the convalescent homes for soldiers, in which the society is interested.

Prof. Leacock introduced his address by what he calls "a talk." "I always like to talk before I lecture," he said, and then went on to tell of the harrowing feelings which must always possess a man who is facing an audience; he himself had once sought book-advice on the proper conduct for such a situation, but, being unable to bow according to the first rule, had laid the volume aside as useless. In spite of this defect, Prof. Leacock has been called upon to deliver a considerable number of lectures, and was able to arouse almost inextinguishable fervor among last night's audience, by relating humorous experiences in connection with these; there was the time when he was called upon to lecture from the pulpit of a dignified church, and, in introducing him, the chairman (who was the minister) gave the audience permission to "laugh at the Professor" all they liked. The people took advantage of this permission. At another time, the introduction preceding his lecture was made by an American business man (marked American accent heard in quoting this), and consisted in a statement that "our new winter series of lectures is now beginning. Owing to the serious deficit which had to be met by this association at the end of last year, it is necessary that cheaper talent be employed this year." The chairman then "took great pleasure" in introducing Prof. Leacock.

Prof. Leacock then began the lecture proper, stating that he lectured on literary subjects as a mere outsider and dilettante, but he undertook to discuss the heroes and heroines of modern fiction, with which most of us are familiar.

We all remember the heroes of whom we read in our childhood—Ned they were usually called. Every moment of Ned's life was overflowing with wild adventures among cannibals, shipwrecks, battles, — indeed, he seemed to have taken part in all the great battles of history. We pick up any of these books, open it at random, and Ned has perhaps just escaped from "the savage onslaught of huge, bloodthirsty cannibals," to arrive in time for the battle of Gettysburg, and be informed by Gen. Lee that, "you, Ned, my dear boy, have won the day." Similar is his experience in crossing the Delaware with Washington, when he gazes from the shivering deck of the boat at the ice beneath, while the General holds his hand and thanks him for the victory. In the next scene he has won the battle of Runnemed, and, as the villainous King John sits before him, seeking to avoid the signing of the Magna Charta, Ned lays his mailed fist upon the book and makes great threats, thus assuring liberty to future generations of English people.

Enough of wild adventure, — we long for something tender, and the Victorian heroine comes forward, a "symp" and an "ethereal being of the air, large, wondering eyes of child-like innocence (soft in the head?)"

times two or three people would be at the same time—sometimes one would pick a whole tree oneself.

Picking up the fruit blown down by the wind is a wearying task; round and round the orchard one goes, and always there is more fruit blown down. The fruit thus collected must be put into separate sieves, as it is much riper than that picked off the trees. A wet day is spent almost entirely in picking up, as fruit cannot be picked while wet; if it is, it blights at once. If a whole tree is very ripe, large sheets are spread under it, and the plum tree is shaken; the fruit is then easily collected. This is really the ideal method. The picking of anything over fifteen hundred pounds of plums was considered a good day's work.

Eight or ten hours spent in the open air make one very sleepy, and very hungry. I never heard anyone complain of a bad night, and certainly there were no signs of poor appetites. We all lived together in a large house "on the spot," and had very merry times after working hours—that must have been after 7 p.m.,—that before 5.15 a.m. Everybody took and made a few jigsaws, and photographs, and the "log book," wrote poetry for the "log book," where by much hidden genius was brought to light.

I can heartily recommend anyone who wants a healthy open-air holiday to join a fruit-picking party; but, of course, I only went for a fortnight!—Alexandra College Magazine.

AT THE THEATRES.

LOEW'S.

The leading bill at Loew's this week is the Six Royal Hussars. The Hussars are all women, and are accomplished performers on a variety of wind instruments, including trombones, horns, saxophones, cornets, etc.

Monroe and Grant do a number of hair-raising stunts on a "bouncing table." The antics are well performed and keep the audience alternately in fits of laughter and apprehension as to the safety of the pair.

Another feature is "Neglect," a good playlet, and well acted by Edwards and Company. Miss Belva Morrell, who appeared at the Orpheum last summer, is a member of the company.

A comedy act and a dance offering conclude the vaudeville bill. The feature photoplay is "The Bargain," a typical western picture, which presents a number of thrilling escapades. The bill is one well worth seeing.

GAYETY.

Joe Hurtig's "Hello America," production at the Gayety this week is supported by an exceptionally pretty chorus. As usual, however, Lewis and Dody are the backbone of the show. Primrose Semon, as the American girl, immediately captivates the audience, and Ina Hayward's flawless figure is draped with a wonderful array of clothes. The singing of Klitty Glasco meets with much applause. The costumes and gowns, as well as the scenery, are exceptional.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH AMERICANS?

A simple test in punctuation was given recently to 140 student teachers at the University of California. Of them all, only one, a Chinese woman, had a perfect paper. This same test was given to a number of French boys between the ages of ten and twelve, who had had only one year of English, and over eighty-five per cent. completed it without a mistake.—U. of California.

no, she was educated beyond the average woman of her time (named Madeleine).—French, Italian, Spanish and Provencal tongue, history, ancient and modern, sacred and profane,—spinnet and harpsichord, wonderful voice.

Enter Lord Rip, the Viperous, and swears to have Madeleine, who, however, almost always succeeds in "cowering" him. When she doesn't, there is a hero present, whose business it is to "dog" him—the quiet, immaculate Victorian hero, with wonderful powers of language, by which he "dogged" Lord Rip.

That school of fiction had its day and passed. In 1880 came something new, the open-air hero and heroine—"boots and beef." She was some heroine (see Anthony Hope), could paddle a canoe, save a shipwrecked crew; the hero—strong, with muscles like "tempered steel," who had spent five years on Patagonia. An amusing extract was then read: the heroine, "Miss Middleton" and hero, "Mr. Smith," are seen alone in the Rockies, escaping from the Apaches—their favourite pastime. The heroine, the "noble girl," is sliding down from the summit of a crag by a rope. From 300 feet above comes ringing down to her the voice of the hero—"Don't let go the rope, Miss Middleton." "Oh, no, indeed, Mr. Smith." The "noble girl" didn't, and thus becomes a participant in the inevitable romance at the end.

But this hero and heroine passed out of existence—they were too good. Fiction is really the work of the Devil. It is always wanting to depict wicked things. Old things are never wicked enough, new ones must succeed them.

The up-to-date modern school deals with the cabaret people, especially the wicked Harvard graduate. This is the way in which modern stories are written. Anyone can write them who follows the rule. Characters:—a "man" and a "woman," (names never mentioned), who appear at once. The way of introduction: the "man" lifts his head and puts it down again. We don't want to know who he is. The "woman" is introduced in a similar way.

Descriptions of them: "man" tall, straight, straight-legged, well tubbed and clean shaven. Heroine: wears a "gown," not a dress—"gown" clings to her.

Point III: Who are they? Not husband and wife, not fiancées. She must be the wife of the "other man."

Point IV: Get them into some impossible situation; man steps into "her" motor—or "her" drawing room in Pullman car—or "her" hotel room, by accident. Of course there is no question of his apologizing and retreating—he is quite lacking in savoir faire.

Enter:—the "other man" ("her" husband). Note, there is no blustering or roaring from him.

This is an example of "tommyrot" silly, neurotic fiction.

As a relief from this type, and to free from "the duty of laughter," Prof. Leacock read a Christmas tale of his own (the last tale in his book "Frenzied Fiction," in which Father Christmas, sadly changed in appearance from the jolly, round St. Nicholas of pre-war time, is the leading character, and makes a plea for happy, care-free Christmas times for the "little folks."

The chairman thanked Prof. Leacock very heartily in the name of the Society, for his very delightful address, and the applause of the audience was sufficient proof of the fact that this was an exact expression of their feelings.

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HARVARD: In view of a hockey match with Stone School, Coach R. E. Gross, of Harvard, has had a turn-out of Freshman candidates on the Charles River for the first time since the vacation. Coach Gross laid special emphasis on the value of team play. An athletic class is also being started for the Freshmen; this is the eighth successive year for this class.

CARLEISLE: After a lapse of about seven years, Carleisle Indian School has decided to resume varsity baseball. The school has been famous for football and lacrosse teams, and should be able to produce a winning baseball nine.

PENNSYLVANIA: Football was certainly a paying sport at the University of Pennsylvania for the fiscal year which closed August 31, 1917, according to the report of Major M. J. Pickering. The total net profit for that time was \$33,280.84. The current fiscal year will show a much different condition.

ARIZONA: Women students of the University of Arizona have petitioned the student body organization for a thorough organization of athletic sports for women.

OHIO: In view of the fuel shortage and the necessity for conserving the amount of heat and light, Ohio State University has ordered that all buildings used for instruction, including the university library, be closed from 6.30 o'clock in the evening to 7.30 o'clock in the morning, except in case of special meetings.

STEVENS: Stevens Institute defeated the Dartmouth College basketball five at Hoboken, Saturday, 29 to 16.

ANNAPOLIS: The Annapolis Academy basketball team defeated Lehigh University at Annapolis, Saturday, 30 to 18.

WILLIAMS: The Williams College hockey team defeated Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Williams-town, Saturday, 14 to 0.

MASS. AGRICULTURAL: Massachusetts Agricultural College defeated Connecticut Agricultural College at basketball at Amherst, Saturday, 25 to 20.

SPRINGFIELD: The Springfield Training School basketball team defeated New Hampshire State College at Springfield, Saturday, 53 points to 24.

RUTGERS: Rutgers College opened its basketball season of 1918 at New Brunswick, N.J., Saturday evening, by defeating New York University, 43 to 25.

MASS. INSTITUTE: The Massachusetts Institute of Technology chess team defeated Dartmouth College in a dual meet at the Boston Chess Club on Saturday, 4 matches to 2.

WEST POINT: The West Point Academy basketball five defeated Boston Hall at West Point, Saturday, 28 to 16. Flushing High School defeated the West Point hockey seven, 1 to 0.

UNION: Union College defeated the Yale varsity five at basketball at Schenectady, N.Y., on Saturday, 32 to 26. Van Slyck, Yale's left forward was the star of the game, scoring 20 points for the Elis.

DARTMOUTH: The Dartmouth College varsity basketball team is scheduled to open its championship season of 1918 this evening, when it meets the Princeton varsity five in the latter's gymnasium in the second game of the Intercollegiate Basketball League series.

NOTICES

ARTS '19 MEETING.

There will be a meeting of Arts '19 to-day in the smoking room of the Arts Building, at 1 p.m. All members are requested to be present.

MED. '20 MEETING.

At a meeting of Med. '20, yesterday, the following officers were elected: Hockey captain, O. C. Trainor; manager, "Supe" Whitcomb.

MANDOLIN CLUB.

The Mandolin Club has been asked to play at the Medical Undergrad. meeting on Friday, January 11. Owing to the fact that there has been no meeting since the holidays, it is advisable that the members practice up individually the following pieces in the New Folio "No. 18a," supplied—Nos. 2, 6, 20. A good turn-out is requested, as a very pleasant evening is assured.

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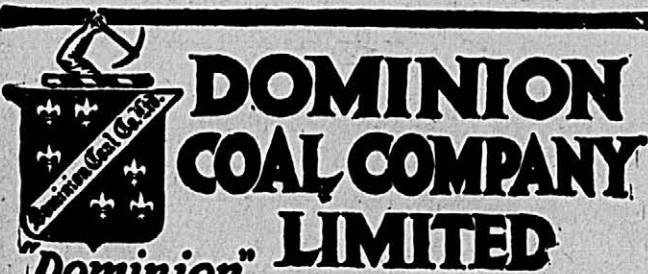
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